



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 3, 2002

H.R. 4807

Susquehanna National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on June 26, 2002

H.R. 4807 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire Garrett Island, a 198-acre island located at the mouth of the Susquehanna River in Cecil County, Maryland. The bill would direct the Secretary to manage the acquired lands as a unit of the Susquehanna National Wildlife Refuge.

Assuming the availability of appropriated funds, and based on information from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, CBO estimates that the agency would spend up to \$800,000 to acquire the island in 2003. We also estimate that the agency would spend less than \$200,000 annually to manage the island and to make payments to Cecil County under the Refuge Revenue Sharing Act, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts.

H.R. 4807 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 4807 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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